



# PPD’s News to Live By

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## Fire Prevention Week

NFPA’s Fire Prevention Week is October 6th through October 12th. Click on the logo to learn more about kitchen fire prevention.

The lab coordinates our annual fire drills during October as well. Be prepared to participate in your area fire drill.

Contact your supervisor or area [emergency warden](#) if unsure what the fire drill plans are this year.



## Dumpster Violations

A reminder to all that waste from home is not to be placed in the lab’s dumpsters. There has been an increase in dumpster violations this year, including the electronics waste pictured here. It was clearly someone’s personal computer. Electronic waste has been [banned from landfills](#). If you have personal electronic waste, check your community’s or [county’s website](#) for electronics recycling information.

If you have any disposal questions, please contact PPD’s [Waste Coordinator \(Jose Delao\)](#) or [Environmental Officer \(Angela Aparicio\)](#).



## Chemical Clean Out

The ESH&Q’s Hazard Control Technology Team (HCTT) has been assisting divisions/sections in disposing of old/expired chemicals. This has been an excellent housekeeping opportunity, and many areas have cleared out full shelves of chemicals. It was the perfect opportunity to finally get rid of chemicals that have expired, and are no longer guaranteed to be of the best quality.

PPD has disposed of over 300 containers of waste chemicals so far through this effort. Big thank you to the HCTT, Jose Delao and the waste generators for their efforts!



## High Hazardous Waste

Another reason to clean out your outdated chemicals...

During a flammable liquids cabinet clean out, we found a chemical that can potentially form [shock-sensitive peroxides](#). This chemical had been sitting in the cabinet since 2005. In order to dispose of the chemical safely, the lab had to hire a High Hazardous Waste company. The contractors came in with a small explosive magazine and wore bullet-proof vests, face shields and flame-resistant clothing in order to open the container and test the contents.

As you can imagine, this service is extremely expensive. To avoid any future incidents, please dispose of your chemicals in a timely manner. All chemical waste questions can be directed to PPD’s [Waste Coordinator \(Jose Delao\)](#) or [Environmental Officer \(Angela Aparicio\)](#).



## CDF/D0 Bike Repairs & Donations

Bikes that have been determined to be abandoned (and bike parts) at both CDF and D0 have been collected and donated to the [P.A.D.S. organization](#) in Wheaton. During the collection of bikes and parts, it was noted that several lab-owned bikes are in need of repairs and those are being addressed as well.

Thank you to Ed Dijak for taking the initiative on this project.



## Two New FESHM Chapters

Two new FESHM Chapters have been posted. [FESHM Chapter 4020—Communications](#) was created to outline the various types of ESH&Q communication methods; and [FESHM Chapter 12020—Suspect/Counterfeit Items \(SCI\) Program](#) incorporates the OQBP Procedure #1006 into FESHM.

## Green Ride/Carpooling

All federal agencies are required to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions ([Executive Order 13514](#)), including those generated by employee commuting. To help in this effort, you can sign up on [GreenRide Connect](#), a website run by Argonne National Laboratory, that helps you locate fellow employees that live near you that you could commute with.

The website can also be used to track the days you bike, bus, walk, etc. Logging the days you worked from home or took vacation days can also help Fermilab earn credit. If you are able to carpool, there are potential incentives (besides saving money), such as designated carpool parking spaces at Wilson Hall.

## The “Doh!” Photos of the Month



## PPD September Injuries

No injuries reported!

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